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Sir:

In compliance with 37 CFR §1.97, the Examiner is hereby respectfully advised that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 form is known by or has come to the attention of the Applicant and is being submitted herewith for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of each listed reference is included herewith.

It is Applicant's opinion that the claims presently on file patentably distinguish the present invention from the references. The references are being cited only in the interest of candor without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or they contain matter which anticipates

the invention or which would render the same obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Respectfully submitted,

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